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ELECTROCHEMICAL CELLS

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**CLEAN VERSION OF AMENDMENTS**

**In the specification:**

1) Page 15, line 17 delete "09/156,857 and Serial No." so that the clean version of the paragraph reads:

In another preferred embodiment, the present invention is employed in a combinatorial materials research program. It will be appreciated that in connection with any combinatorial program, one approach for high throughput synthesis and analysis of materials is to employ varying compositions within a library or across a substrate. Examples of ratios and techniques for forming a variety of libraries are illustrated in U.S. Patent Application, Serial No. 09/156,827 <sup>now abandoned</sup> entitled "Formation of Combinatorial Arrays of Materials Using Solution-Based Methodologies," hereby incorporated by reference.

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